UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY - REGION 7 SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAMS

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| Grant Program | Environmental Justice (EJ) | Environmental Justice through Pollution Prevention (EJP2) | Solid Waste Disposal Act Section 8001 | Pollution Prevention Incentives for States (PPIS) |
| Purpose | To provide assistance to eligible organizations planning and/or implementing projects to address environmental justice issues. | To empower low income, high minority communities through education on environmental issues and pollution prevention resources. | projects that promote effective solid waste | To support pollution prevention demonstration projects or help establish pollution prevention infrastructure in a wide range of sectors. |
| Eligible Applicants | Affected community groups, incorporated non-profit organizations, universities, or federally-recognized tribal governments. | Incorporated non-profit organizations, federally-recognized tribal governments, state, city, county or local government agencies. | recognized tribal governments, state, city, | State agencies, federally-recognized tribes, territories and possessions. States are encouraged to form partnerships with incorporated non-profit organizations and/or local governments. |
| Award Amount | Up to \$20,000. | (1) Up to \$100,000 for local projects; (2) \$250,000 for national projects or projects involving communities located in more than one EPA Region. | No funding is anticipated in FY 1999 & FY 2000. | No limit. |
| Matching Share | No matching share required. | | No matching share required. | 50% non-federal government matching share required. |
| Application Due Date | March | April | N/A | January |
| Selections Announced | June | September | N/A | First quarter of fiscal year |
| Priorities | Projects that improve the environmental quality of the community by: ! having wide application or addressing a high priority issue. ! enhancing skills in addressing EJ issues. ! establishing or expanding information systems for communities. ! facilitating communication, information exchange, & community partnerships. ! motivating the public to be more conscious of EJ issues, leading to action to address those issues. | Projects by community based organizations and local governments that improve environmental quality within affected communities using pollution prevention as a primary solution. Proposals that encourage institutionalization & innovative use of pollution prevention approaches to address environmental justice issues. Activities and products which can be supplied to other communities. Cooperative efforts with business/industry to address pollution prevention goals. | demonstration projects endorsed by State Solid Waste & Recycling Program Officials that have region-wide impact. ! Support for State & Tribal solid waste programs. | Projects that: ! develop measurement criteria. ! promote partnering among environmental and business providers. ! advance state environmental goals. ! promote accomplishments within state's environmental programs. |
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| Grant | Superfund Technical Assistance Grants | Sustainable Development Challenge | Environmental Education |
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| Program Purpose | (TAGs) To help communities hire an independent expert to help them interpret technical data, understand site hazards and become more knowledgeable about the different technologies that may be used to clean up a Superfund site so the community can make informed decisions. | (SDC) To help establish partnerships which encourage environmentally and economically sustainable business practices in a manner that promotes social equity. | (EE) To support projects which design, demonstrate or disseminate environmental education practices, methods or techniques. |
| Eligible Applicants | Community groups affected by a Superfund site that is proposed or listed on the Superfund National Priorities List (NPL). | Local governments, federally- recognized tribes, territories, educational institutions, and incorporated non-profit organizations. | Local, tribal, or state education agencies, educational institutions, incorporated non-profit organizations, state environmental agencies, & non-commercial educational broadcasting agencies. |
| Award Amount | Up to \$50,000 per NPL site. Additional funds may be available at complex sites. | (1) Up to \$50,000; (2) Between \$50,001-\$200,000. | (1) Up to \$25,000 regionally; (2) Between \$25,001-\$250,000 nationally. |
| Matching Share | 20% non-federal government matching share required; in-kind contributions may be used to meet this match. | 20% non-federal government matching share required. | 25% non-federal government matching share required. |
| Application Due Date | Applications may be submitted after a site is proposed or placed on the NPL. | Information can be obtained through the EPA contact listed below. | February |
| Selections Announced | After community notification period (30 to 60 days), application review and processing time, and approval. | January-March | Summer |
| Priorities | Highlights of the application process are as follows: ! One TAG grant per NPL site. ! EPA notifies the community of TAG availability through public notice (local newspaper and direct mailing). ! EPA notifies interested communities upon receipt of the <i>first</i> letter of intent announcing group plans to apply for a TAG. ! EPA encourages community groups to consolidate through the primary applicant rather than compete for the grant. This provides technical assistance to the most widely representative group of individuals possible. | ! Promote cooperation and collaboration among citizens, businesses, non-profit organizations, educational institutions, government and others to develop locally-appropriate tools and processes for sustainable environmental protection and economic development. ! Encourage community commitment to environmental protection and an increasing understanding of the dependence of long-term economic health on the environment. ! Build local and regional capacity for conducting and implementing sustainable planning. ! Identify and design models & supportive tools that can be shared by communities nationwide. ! Foster long-term investment in sustainability at the community level. | Applicants must demonstrate how the proposed project is new or significantly improved, has potential for wide application and how it addresses a high priority environmental issue. Projects MUST focus on ONE of the following: ! Improving environmental education teaching skills. ! Educating teachers, students or public about human health problems. ! Building state, local or tribal government capacity to develop environmental education programs promoting environmental careers among students. ! Educating the community through community-based organizations. ! Educating general public through print, film, broadcast or other media. |
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| Grant Program | Indoor Air Quality Grants | Lead Grants |
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| Purpose | To support indoor environment demonstration projects, outreach and training. | To provide information regarding lead-based paint and conduct training to help prevent childhood lead poisoning. To enable states, territories and federally-recognized Indian governing bodies to seek authorization of their own training, accreditation and certification program for lead-based paint activities. |
| Eligible Applicants | State, city, county or local government agencies, federally-recognized tribes, incorporated non-profit organizations. | States and federally-recognized tribes. |
| Award Amount | Up to \$15,000. (average grant is \$5,000) | Varies according to available funds. |
| Matching Share | No matching share required. 5% non-federal government matching share <i>requested</i> . | No matching share required. |
| Application Due Date | Information can be obtained through the EPA contact listed below. | Information can be obtained through the EPA contact listed below. |
| Selections Announced | Varies | Varies |
| Priorities | Provides support for indoor air quality demonstration programs for schools, businesses and homes. Specific targets include: schools, homes, large buildings, environmental tobacco smoke, asthma & carbon monoxide. Regional emphasis on training. | ! Provides grants to eliminate or reduce the role of lead- based paint and lead-contaminated soil as direct exposure sources. |
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| Grant Program | Radon Grants | Nonpoint Source (NPS) Implementation Grants (CWA Section 319) | State/Tribal/Local Government Wetland Protection & Development Program | Environmental Monitoring for Public Access & Community Tracking (EMPACT) |
| Purpose | To develop state and tribal radon programs | To reduce NPS pollution through implementation & demonstration of best management practices (BMPs) that promote & protect water quality, usually on a watershed basis. | To develop wetland and riparian area protection programs at state/tribal/local government levels. | To provide public access to clearly-communicated, time-relevant, useful, and accurate environmental monitoring data in an ongoing and sustainable manner in 86 metropolitan areas. |
| Eligible Applicants | State and federally- recognized tribal governments. | Agencies, organizations and individuals, both public & private, must apply to the appropriate state agency. | State and local agencies, and federally-recognized tribal governments. | Local governments, as defined by 40CFR Part 31.3, and located in one of the 86 EMPACT metropolitan areas in the U.S. Federally- recognized tribal governments located within an EMPACT area are also eligible to apply. |
| Award Amount | Varies according to available funds. | Varies according to available funds. | Varies according to available funds. | Up to \$600,000. |
| Matching Share | 50% non-federal government matching share required. | 40% non-federal government matching share required. | 25% non-federal government matching share required. | No matching share required. |
| Application Due Date | Information can be obtained through the EPA contact listed below. | Information can be obtained through the EPA contacts listed below. | Information can be obtained through the EPA contact listed below. | Information can be obtained through the EPA contact listed below. |
| Selections Announced | Varies | Varies | Varies | To be announced |
| Priorities | Building radon-resistant homes. Disclosure and radon testing during real estate transactions. Developing coalitions to address radon. Setting and measuring environmental results for radon awareness, testing and mitigation. Testing and mitigating schools for radon. | ! Educating/creating public awareness to protect water quality. ! Cooperation and contributions from federal, state, & local agencies, non-governmental organizations & individuals. ! Controlling sediment, nutrients & pesticides from agricultural & community land, urban areas, forestry & mining. ! Project examples: the reduction of sediment, nutrients & pesticides in streams, lakes & ground water via integrated crop management practices; field demonstrations of conservation tillage; use of vegetative buffers, structural practices to control runoff; animal manure management practices; riparian & wetland management involving habitat & vegetation restoration, & development of educational materials. | ! State/Tribal/Local Government Wetland Conservation Plans. ! State/Tribal Section 404 assumption assistance. ! Wetland/Watershed Protection Approach Demonstration Projects. ! River corridor and wetland restoration. | Pilot programs emphasize partnerships among governments, research institutions, non-governmental organizations, and the private sector. Programs must include: ! Environmental monitoring and management. ! Information management, processing & delivery. ! Communication with citizens. |
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| Grant Program | Brownfields Economic Redevelopment Initiative | | | | |
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| | Site Assessment Demonstration Pilots | Job Training & Development Demonstration Pilots | Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund Demonstration Pilots | Brownfields Targeted Assessments **See Note** | |
| Purpose | To empower states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic redevelopment to work together in a timely manner to prevent, assess, safely clean and sustainably reuse Brownfields. Brownfields are abandoned, idled, or under-used industrial/commercial facilities where expansion or redevelopment is complicated by real or perceived environmental contamination. | | | | |
| Eligible Applicants | States, cities, towns, counties, U.S. Territories, federally- recognized tribes. | Colleges/universities, incorporated non-profit training centers, community job training groups, states, cities, towns, counties, U.S. Territories & federally-recognized tribes. Must be within/near pre-1998 Brownfields Pilot Communities. | States, cities, towns, counties, U.S. Territories, federally-recognized tribes that have been awarded Brownfields Assessment Demonstration Pilots prior to FY99. In addition, political subdivisions with jurisdiction over sites that have either (1) been the subject of a targeted Brownfields assessment (formerly called targeted site assessments), or (2) been selected by the U.S. EPA prior to January 1, 1999, to be the subject of a targeted Brownfields assessment, are also eligible for a single BCRLF pilot award. | States, cities, towns, counties, U.S. Territories, federally- recognized tribes. | |
| Award Amount | Up to \$200,000. | Up to \$200,000. | Up to \$500,000. | Varies with project need. Estimated: \$5,000-\$20,000. | |
| Matching Share | No matching share required. | | | | |
| Application Due Date | December & March | March | March | Ongoing | |
| Selections Announced | To be announced | | | | |
| Priorities | ! Projects that test Brownfields assessment models, direct special efforts toward removing regulatory barriers without sacrificing protectiveness, and facilitate coordinated public and private efforts at the federal, state, tribal and local levels. ! Encourages interested parties to join forces to assess, clean and return contaminated sites to use. | ! Convene community groups, job training organizations, educators, investors, lenders, developers, and other affected parties to address training for residents in Brownfields communities. ! Facilitate cleanup of contaminated Brownfields sites & prepare trainees for future employment in the environmental field. | Projects that will develop self-sustaining loan programs for the clean up of Brownfields. Test Brownfields cleanup revolving loan fund models that direct special efforts toward facilitating coordinated public and private Brownfields cleanup efforts at the federal, state, and local levels. | ! Assist public entities with abandoned or under-utilized property that may be contaminated by hazardous substances. ! Investigate environmental conditions at property being considered for redevelopment. ! Need community vision, support & publicly-owned site. | |
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^{**}This is a service provided by EPA, it is not a grant. The Award Amount is a reflection of the avarage cost of the assessment

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NOTE 1/ Similar grants to Solid Waste Disposal Act Section 8001 grants are available from the following state agencies:

Contact State Agencies for information on similar solid waste programs:

Iowa Department of Natural Resources Waste Management Assistance Division 515-281-8975

Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality Technical and Customer Assistance Division 402-471-6974 or Toll Free 1-877-253-2603

Missouri Department of Natural Resources Solid Waste Program Financial Assistance Unit 573-751-5401

Bureau of Waste Management Kansas Department of Health and Environment 785-296-1600